



OJI Presidential Notes



January 2020

In an effort to stay in-touch and provide timely information about OJI activities and regional events, it is planned to distribute these "Notes" directly to all members of OJI plus anyone else wishing to receive these e-mails. They will also be posted on the OJI web site. If you wish to be removed from this e-mail list, please contact me using reply to sender (please DO NOT use "reply all"). Similarly, if you are not currently on the "direct e-mail" list and wish to be added please contact me stating your request.



- 1) **Deadlines for 2020** – The following dates are deadlines for various activities in 2020:
 - 1/9/2020 – Room Block Cut-off Date for OJI Championships Dayton Fairfield Inn & Suites
 - 1/10/2020 – USA Judo Youth Nationals -First preregistration cut-off (1st division \$85 to \$100; 2nd division \$70 to \$80; 3rd division \$55 to \$70)
 - 1/11/2020 – Deadline for Tickets for Ohio Judo Hall of Fame Banquet
 - 1/11/2020 – Ohio Championships - Preregistration cut-off date – (first division \$40 to \$50; additional divisions \$20 to \$25)
 - 1/30/2020 – 2020 Arnold Battle of Columbus Entry Fee increase (first event \$70 to \$75; second event \$15 to \$20)
 - 2/15/2020 – 2020 Arnold Battle of Columbus Final Entry date – must be done on-line
 - 3/18/2020 – USA Judo Youth Nationals – 2nd price increase (1st div \$100 to \$150; 2nd div \$80 to \$150; 3rd div \$70 to \$75)

- 2) **OJI Board of Directors Meeting** – was held Sunday, Dec. 15, 2019 – 2PM at the Kettering Rec Center, Kettering, OH – Minutes and 2020 OJI Budget posted on the OJI website.

- 3) Hall of Fame Inductions - Kayla Harrison and Ryozo Nakamura will be recognized for their extraordinary impact on Judo in Ohio and beyond. A banquet will be held on Saturday, 1/18/20 (the evening before the Ohio Open Championships) in Dayton, OH to celebrate their accomplishments. Tickets can be purchased prior to 1/11/20 from Russ Scherer (contact info – (937) 427-5836 or rschererjudo@gmail.com).
- 4) Ohio Open Judo Championships – The annual state championships will be held at the Kettering Rec Center on Sunday, January 19, 2020. Full information can be found on the OJI website. Referees: Please contact Russ Scherer if you are able to attend.
- 5) OJI Website Updates – Please review the website for updates on upcoming events, as well as other recent changes.
http://www.ohiojudo.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=featured&Itemid=435
- 6) Club Advertising on OJI Trailer – Ohio Judo, Inc. is offering clubs the opportunity to have their club logo affixed to the mat trailer to support the mat program and advertise their club. The one-time fee of \$250 covers the cost of the decal and supports the mat and trailer program. If your club is interested, contact Russ Scherer.

Upcoming Events (check the OJI web site for additional details and an updated listing):

Ohio Events - **National Events & Ref Eval Sites** - Other Events

- 1/18/20 - Ohio Judo Hall of Fame Banquet (Dayton, OH)
- 1/18/20 - Kata, Competitors and Referee Clinics (Kettering, OH)
- 1/19/20 - Ohio Open Judo Championships (Kettering, OH)
- 1/25-26/20 - Wahadachi and Wisconsin Open (Milwaukee, WI)
- 1/26/20 - Konan Promotional Clinic (Toledo, OH)
- 2/14-15/20 - Cherry Blossom Championships (Boynton Beach, FL)
- 2/16/20 (Tentative) - Konan Rank Eval Michigan Open (East Lansing, MI)
- 2/16/20 - San Jose Buddhist Championships (San Jose, CA)
- 2/23/20 - Konan Promotional (Toledo, OH)
- 3/7/20 - Arnold "Battle of Columbus" Shiai (Columbus, OH)
- 3/14/20 - Rebel Shiai (Owenton, KY)
- 3/21/20 - North Coast Championships (Lorain, OH)
- 3/21/20 - NCJA National Collegiates (San Jose, CA)
- 3/21/20 - New York Open Team Championships (NYC, NY)
- 3/22/20 - Michigan Open (East Lansing, MI)
- 3/28-29/20 - National Youth Championships (Salt Lake City, UT)
- 4/4 or 5/20 - Konan Invitational (OH)
- 4/4-5/20 - Liberty Bell Classic (Bryn Athyn, PA)
- 4/18/20 - Indiana Open Championships (IN)
- 4/18/20 - Junior Shiai (Stevens Point, WI)

- 4/25/20 - Kettering Judo Classic (Kettering, OH)
- 5/2/20 - Akiya Memorial Shiai (Cleveland, OH)
- 5/16-17/20 - Senior Nationals (Daytona Beach, FL)
- 5/23-24/20 - AM/CAN Judo Challenge (Buffalo, NY)
- 6/19-21/20 - National Junior Olympics (Winston-Salem, NC)
- 6/27/20 - Meijer State Games + USA Masters Games (Grand Rapids, MI)
- 7/24-26/20 - US Open (Ft. Lauderdale, FL)
- 7/27-29/20 - US Open Camp (Ft. Lauderdale, FL)
- 9/19-20/20 - Ocean State Open (Providence, RI)
- 11/7/20 - Great Lakes Open (Grand Rapids, MI)
- 11/22/20 - National President's Cup (Irving, TX)

If you have information about any other events that would be of interest to OJI members, please reply to this e-mail (do not send info that applies only to your club). Also – Please verify all info prior to travel – We are not responsible for the accuracy of this information. Look for another issue in June. Hope to see you at a future event.

Russ Scherer
President - Ohio Judo, Inc.